

Candidates' campaigns come to UNO campus

By DAVE MANNING
Senior Reporter

"Obviously, it's going to be very competitive," mayoral candidate Jim Cleary told UNO students and faculty last Wednesday. UNO's College Republicans sponsored Cleary's visit to campus.

In his speech, Cleary focused on three issues affecting Omaha: Drug abuse, gang violence and recycling.

He pointed the finger at Omaha gangs for the influx of crack cocaine. "I have proposed a mandatory 10-year sentence for those convicted of selling crack cocaine," he said.

"It (crack) is a real problem, and I'm

By BRAD OSBORNE
Staff Reporter

With the Omaha mayoral primary just weeks away, candidate P.J. Morgan says he is very optimistic about his standing in the polls.

"I know I can make a difference and do the job effectively for this city," he said March 9. "And I guarantee you're going to see a change in the way we run city government — an efficient way, a positive way — through jobs, housing, and opportunities in this community."

Morgan visited the UNO campus Thursday, speaking with students and answering questions in the Student Center

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concerned about it," Cleary said.

For drug dealers, "Death is a real possibility. Jail is another option," he said.

According to Cleary, a combination of increased law enforcement and education about the effects of drugs is important. He said he is also willing to listen to ideas from others.

"I know I don't have all the ideas," Cleary said. "We'll have to pull ideas together to make headway on this problem. We mean business."

As for the recycling situation in Omaha, Cleary said only about 15 percent of Omahans recycle paper.

"I was really pretty shocked," Cleary said. He proposed weekly newspaper pickup on the same day garbage is collected. According to Cleary, this could save one million dollars annually in landfill and hauling charges, and would be en-

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Ballroom. The event was sponsored by the UNO College Republicans.

"The mayor's job is critical in this city," he said. "It affects your lives each and every day. I have the background and qualifications to do the job. If I didn't think I could, I wouldn't be running."

Morgan spoke for nearly an hour on issues such as drugs, crime, gangs, economic development and issues affecting UNO.

On the convention center issue, Morgan said, "We need to be careful about a \$68 million investment. How are we going to recover that cost? We can't just burden the taxpayers with it."

He cited an example of an \$80 million convention facility in Phoenix, Ariz., which last year brought in less than 50,000 out-of-state visitors. "The loss to the taxpayers was \$20 million. We can't afford to

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Cleary

"A mayor can and should be the city's number one salesperson. There's a lot more work we can do."

Morgan

"I'm the only candidate running for this job that really doesn't need the job."

General education requirements may make transfers easier

By MELANIE MORRISSEY
News Editor

Academic Affairs Vice Chancellor Otto Bauer presented the Board of Regents with a report on requirements that could make it easier for students to transfer between colleges.

Faculty and administrators started developing the General Education Requirements in 1981. The new requirements will be published in the fall course catalog, Bauer said, and will take effect in fall 1990.

Deans and faculty representatives from each college worked on the final draft last summer, Bauer said.

"I think those discussions last summer were the most exciting and pleasing ones I had been involved in a long time," Bauer said. "The arguments that went on in that room were substantial, and many people spoke their minds clearly."

Currently, each college has its own general requirements.

The new requirements were developed "to ensure that each graduate of UNO possesses certain academic skills, experiences the breadth of a liberal education and develops an appreciation for the cultural diversity that exists in the nation and the world," Bauer said.

In fall 1990, all incoming UNO students will be required to take a total of 45 to 51 hours of general education courses.

Fifteen of those hours fall under fundamental academ-

ic skills, including nine hours of English and writing, three hours of mathematics and three hours of public speaking.

Bauer said the public speaking requirement was incorporated because "faculty members were clear about wanting students on their feet and speaking."

"We regard this as a very important principle of trying get into the (students') majors' considerations of racial and minority concerns."

— Bauer

Students will also be required to take 30 hours of distribution requirements, including a minimum of eight hours in natural and physical sciences, humanities and fine arts, and social and behavioral sciences.

The remaining six hours must be made up of cultural diversity courses, with one three-credit course in U.S. racial or Hispanic minority groups, and the other three in minority, women's or international studies.

"We regard this as a very important principle of trying get into the (students') majors' considerations of racial and minority concerns," he said.

UNO Student President/Regent Paula Effle told the board she is satisfied with the new requirements.

"I would just like to say, on behalf of the Student Senate, that from the students' point of view, this is going to be extremely helpful in terms of changing from college to college," Effle said. She added that the senate also approves of the required hours in minority studies.

At the meeting, College of Business Administration Dean Larry Trussell presented the board with a progress report on UNO's International Center for Telecommunications Management.

In its first year, the Telecommunications Center has exceeded most of its objectives, according to Trussell. Trussell said the center has 12 "industry and company-specific" research projects completed or underway. "And this is exactly twice the number we had projected being able to get started when we established our objectives," he said.

UNO faculty have been receptive to the center, Trussell said, and new faculty have also been attracted to the university as a result of its existence.

"The existence of this center and the existence of the research money associated with this center has already had a very significant impact on our recruitment of faculty," he said. "We've had some candidates that applied to UNO specifically because they'd heard about this center."

He said the center plans to establish a visiting professorship next year, along with initiating curriculum components so students can become more involved.

Comment



Columnist embarks on 'Couch Trip' in city

The reason couches that are left for the garbage men to pick up in New York City don't have any cushions is because the street people come along, take the soft padding and then use them to sleep on. It's a pretty good story on how I found out that little gem of information. Keep reading.

It was a dark and stormy night (well, it had rained that day and the streets were damp), and three other guys on my floor were hungry, bored and restless. We kidnapped another guy who seemed to be suffering from dorm fever and went off to do a little male bonding. We live on a floor among 28 women and to keep from going mad or exploding from sexual tension, we escape periodically into Manhattan for a night of cheap Indian food in Little Bombay.

Don't get me wrong, I love the women on the floor involved in the United Nations Semester, but guys need to go off by themselves and get stupid. Cornhusker football is the annual example of this back home.

After gorging ourselves on curried lamb, vindaloo chicken and unrecognizable delicious dishes that may have easily been cat, we headed from Little Bombay to Downtown Beirut. Beirut is a bar after my own heart — dark, good music on the juke box, cheap beer, an air of danger about it.

"This neighborhood doesn't seem that bad," Mark said as we were walking up to the door. He hadn't been to Beirut yet. Before we got inside, two men had a slight disagreement. Pushing became shoving and that quickly escalated to clenched fists. Finally one of them picked up a length of pipe and chased the other one off.

Tim Kaldahl
Gateway Columnist

Mailbag

To the editor:

On the night of March 9, there was a panel discussion on abortion in the Student Center. As a woman, it scared me to find probably, if not absolutely, one percent of the student population in attendance.

No matter who you are, this issue concerns you. There are groups of people in this country who want to make a major life decision for you, without you. By not participating, you are giving your consent to this violation.

This is no longer an issue of the right or wrong of abortion. This is a group of people and a government that presume to make a very personal decision for you.

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Consider this:

Abortion is a moral, economic, emotional and religious decision. Everyone needs to make their own decision, because whether or not you choose to have an abortion is going to affect the rest of your life. It will affect your social life, your education, your family, your friends, your church, your economic stability and your physical and emotional health. Do you want these decisions made for you?

A reversal of Roe vs. Wade would be a setback for all of us. Do you want children forced to bear children? Do you want drug addicts and women with AIDS forced to bear children who will suffer or die? Do you want the government

and the "moral majority" to have control over your body and what goes on inside of it? Do you realize that no matter what, a rich woman will be able to obtain a safe abortion and a reversal of Roe vs. Wade will condemn the poor and middle class to "back alley," filthy abortions?

This is an attempt to legislate values and morals. Do we want morals and values legislated?

Pro-choice is not pro-abortion.

If you believe in sex education, contraception or chastity, stand up for yourself. Tell the world that you as a woman can make a responsible decision for yourself and you don't need seven men and one woman to make this decision for you.

Finally, a decision to support Roe vs. Wade is a setback to the rights of women. To support this decision is to say you don't believe in yourself, you want a man to make a decision for you. You are encouraging women to be dependent and uneducated.

I am by no means defending abortion. I am defending my right and your right to choose. You should do the same.

If you are anti-abortion (and that's okay), don't hide behind the constitution. By inflicting your values on me, you're violating the very rights you advocate. Tell me you don't believe in abortion — I don't either, but I do believe in every woman's right to choose and to have her choice be respected.

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Additional access cards to be available for garage

By **MELANIE MORRISSEY**
News Editor

Empty stalls in the parking garage prompted campus security to make 75 more access cards available, according to Charles Swank, manager of Campus Security.

The cards will go on sale tomorrow at 8 a.m. in the Campus Security office.

"The reason it's not until then is so that everybody is aware of it and no one is left out that wants one," Swank said.

Students currently holding parking permits can purchase an access card for a \$7.50 surcharge plus a \$5 refundable deposit. Students without a permit can purchase an access card by paying the surcharge, deposit, and a \$13 pro-rated parking fee.

Swank said the usual 2,300 access cards were sold this year. That figure, he said, is based on a usage rate

determined by the number of available stalls and the number of students parking in the garage at peak times during the day.

Last fall, 2,300 seemed to be an adequate number of cards, Swank said. "But now we're experiencing consistently empty stalls, so another 75 people could be using it if they wish — there's room."

This is not the first time additional cards have been sold at mid-semester. In the fall of '87, about 200 cards, including some on the faculty/staff level, were made available, Swank said.

"When it first opened, we had no idea what the utilization rate would be," he said. "So we limited it to 1400 cards. We found it was grossly under utilized."

Although faculty/staff access cards are still available this semester, the 75 cards sold Wednesday will apply only to the two student levels.

Swank said Campus Security plans to sell the usual

number of cards next year, despite the increase this spring. "I see no reason to expect that the structure wouldn't get as much utilization as last fall," he said.

While parking stalls will be opening up in the garage, cars parked illegally in campus handicapped stalls are now required to pay \$25 rather than the usual \$5 parking fine.

"This is because violations have been increasing dramatically," Swank said. "People just ignore that it's reserved for the disabled and park there anyway."

Violators may also find their cars towed, he added. Towing cars parked in handicapped stalls has always been the policy, according to Swank. "It's not just a fine or a tow," he said. "It's both when we can get a tow truck."

As with all campus parking tickets, if the fine is not paid within 14 days, it doubles.

Skrupa visits faculty senate; says UNO needs doctoral programs

By **MICHELLE FLYR**
Staff Reporter

UNO needs doctoral programs, Regent Rosemary Skrupa told the Faculty Senate March 8.

"The status of everyone would be elevated," Skrupa said.

After working all day, UNO teachers do not want to drive to Lincoln in order to obtain doctoral degrees, she said. There is a massive group of teachers who want to improve themselves, according to Skrupa and as of now, UNO cannot help them.

A "fair share" of the tax dollar that flows out of this state should come back to the UNO campus, Skrupa said, adding that it is unfair most of the money goes to UNL.

"I represent the eighth district, and I have no other irons in the fire," she said.

Skrupa said that during her next three years on the board, she plans to do as much for UNO as possible.

"People want things done for this school, and we are no longer a stepchild of the system," she said. "Now is the time to strike. The community has finally realized we have been taken advantage of."

Another topic of discussion at the meeting was the Faculty Employee Assistance Program (FEAP).

According to FEAP counselor Susan Smith, management and administrative support, as well as confidentiality, are needed in order for the program to succeed.

The program will help employees deal with marriage, stress, anxiety or other personal problems, Smith said.

"Employees are our greatest asset," Smith said. "The purpose is not to act as management or to step on any toes."

"Around 80 percent come to us on a voluntary basis, while 15 to 20 percent are from management referrals," she said. "The program is designed for employee assistance, not discipline."

Though management can refer employees to the program, no employee can be forced to comply with the recommendation, she said.

Counselors are available at the Health Services Office in the Student Center for eight hours twice a week. All coun-

selling services are free.

The senate also voted to eliminate a policy that does not allow UNO to accept credits from a suspended transfer student.

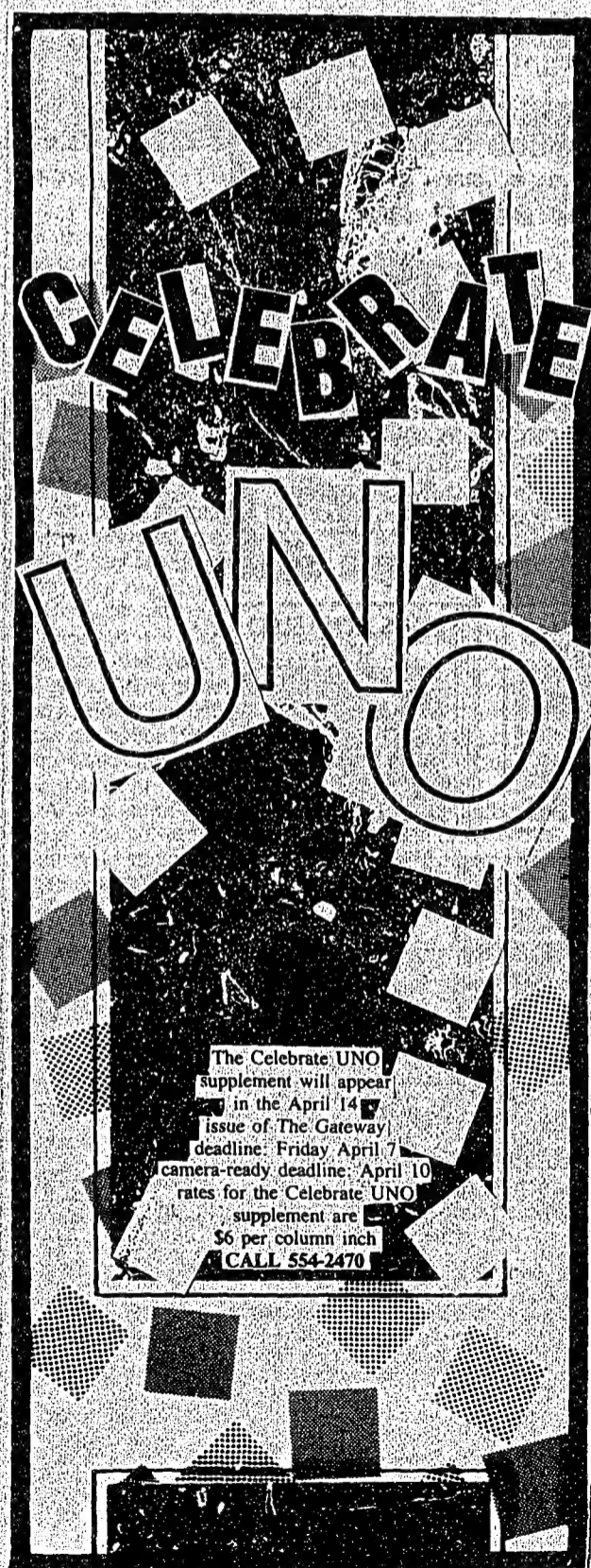
"A change of scenery can sometimes be beneficial to students," said Eric Manley, president of the Faculty Senate. Manley supported the motion.

Sen. Vaughn Johnson disagreed.

"The only individuals who are placed on academic suspension are those whose academic standing is so bad that we do not want them around anyway," he said. "I am opposed to this change because it is a lowering of our standards."

The senate also passed a resolution which supported the university's budget request for a \$1.5 million system-wide automation of library holdings among the three libraries of the University of Nebraska system.

"This is the first time our libraries agreed on anything that major," said John Reidelbach, chairman of library collections.



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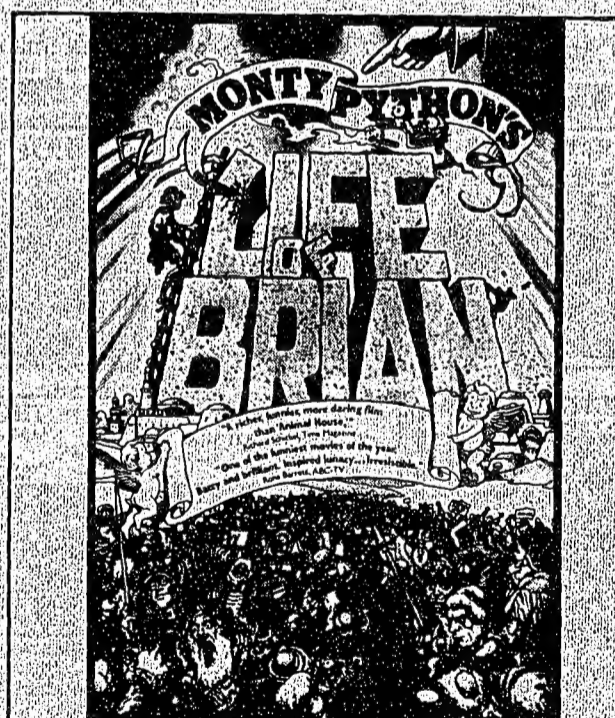
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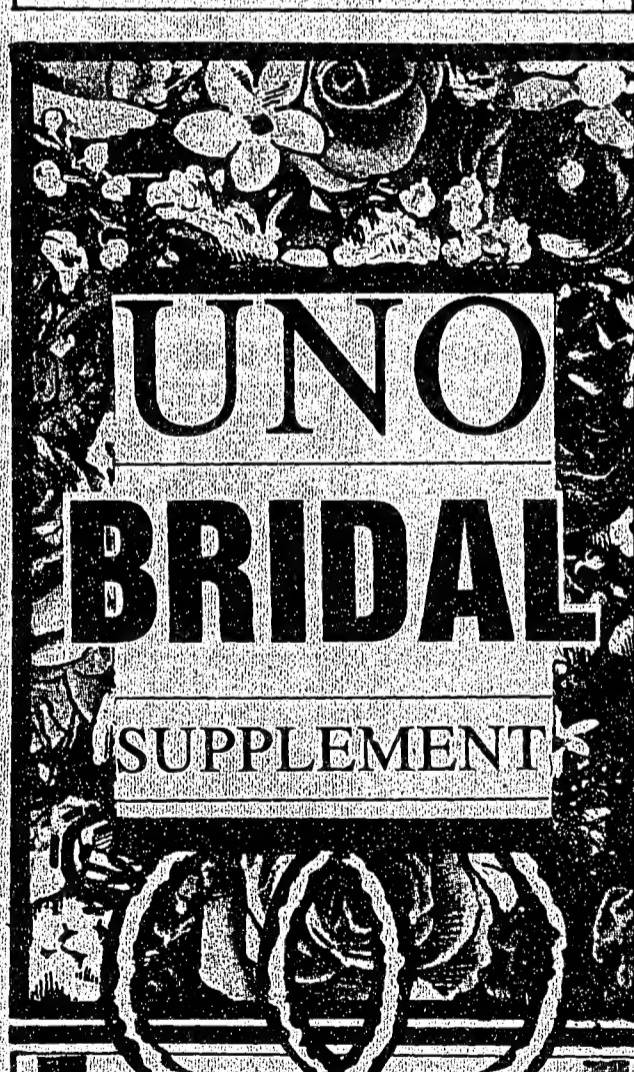
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Effle

President/regent battles podiums, student apathy

By ERIC STOAKES
Feature Editor

On the afternoon of her inauguration, Paula Effle walked to the podium to give her acceptance speech. Instead of standing behind it, she grabbed the small podium and moved it aside. Glancing at Chancellor Del Weber, who was seated with the other university dignitaries, 5-foot-3 Effle smiled and told the audience: "I learned this from him," pointing to Weber. "Short people should never use one of these." Weber and the audience burst into laughter.

No matter what her politics, the 1988-89 student president/regent has a sense of humor.

Three months into her term, 21-year-old Effle said she is finally starting to feel comfortable with her role in Student Government.

"I've always had this attribute, and I think my mom gets really tired of it, of getting very enthusiastic about something and as soon as I got involved, that enthusiasm carried all the way through Student Government," Effle said. "I wanted to learn about all the different ends of it. I wanted to know what's happening and where's it going."

Weber describes Effle as energetic, enthusiastic, bright, alert and interested.

"And the students must like her or they wouldn't have voted her into office," Weber said.

Initially, Effle thought her age would be a disadvantage. "After I had been told I won the election and was starting to look ahead, I thought, 'Here you are, 21. I'm going to be looked at as a kid,'" Effle said. "In some circumstances my age has been an advantage. I think I get a little more acceptance if I don't know something, because they realize I haven't been doing this as long as they have."

Regent Nancy Hoch doesn't consider Effle's age a factor in her performance.

"I've never believed that chronological age had anything to do with maturity," Hoch said. "I know people old at 18 and immature at 70."

Effle's major goal to this point in her term has been "to get to know the people." And she said she feels that goal has been achieved.

"That's probably the hardest part, and at the same time, the most important part," Effle said. "It was especially difficult, because besides the students, the people I was trying to get to know were the administrators, the Board of Regents and the members of the Unicameral, and I felt like I was in a one-down position in terms of prestige and responsibility."

But she found out otherwise. "I am treated as an equal," Effle said. "It's not like they have this 'you're here for us' type of attitude. It's very mutual — they want us both to gain from being here."

"I think Paula is doing an excellent job," Hoch said. "She does her homework and knows what's going on. She is very intelligent."

The transition to the office wasn't as easy as she had hoped. Effle said the three months it has taken her to get familiar with her responsibilities could have been shorter if former President/Regent Joe Kerrigan would have in-

formed her better about the position.

"It was partially my fault, as well, since I was uninformed enough coming in," she said. "I didn't even know what questions to ask."

Effle said when her term ends in December, she will make the transition run much smoother for her successor.

"It will be the responsibility of the outgoing president/regent to effectively orient the new student coming in, in order to benefit the students and to keep that regent from losing three to six months of effective performance by virtue of just not knowing how to do the job."

Effle said she is trying to establish more continuity in her office and in all the agencies of UNO Student Government.

"We've been trying to do a lot of intra-organizational type things," Effle said. "I've been trying to keep a record of things that aren't listed in the Student Government's constitution of bylaws — the day to day little things that are important to being effective in this office, but aren't written down anywhere, be it a meeting, a lunch with someone or just a talk with a certain student."

In the past two-and-one-half years since she has been involved in Student Government, she said the role of the office seems to fluctuate with the personality of the students involved.

"In the long run, that really hurts our effectiveness because what a senate or president/regent accomplishes one year can be totally lost in the next year."

Effle first became interested in politics during high school in Norfolk.

"I had some outstanding government teachers my senior year and it really sparked some interest."

But when she came to UNO, she didn't have any plans to get involved in Student Government. "In fact, I spent the first year-and-a-half not even realizing that UNO had an active Student Government."

Effle said she "literally fell into it."

"My first involvement was as a student senator, because I happened to come to the Student Government office with a friend and we were talking about a class and he said 'Well, there's a senate seat open,' and I thought 'OK, I'll apply.'"

While serving as a student senator, Effle was appointed director of the Council on Community and Legislative Relations (CCLR). She held the position until October 1988, when campaigning began for president/regent.

"Campaigning was probably the least enjoyable thing that I've done since I started college," she said. "As much as you try to get into the issues and concerns when you're campaigning, it's more just what literature you hand out or word of mouth things or what you get on banners."

"A lot of the time, the campaigning is the stereotypical handshake, 'Hi, my name is ... it's nice to meet you ... I'd like to be your student/regent and I would appreciate your vote. At least in my mind, for the voter, it's almost unfair, because they're making a decision in 30 seconds."

The creation of more active student lobbying groups could solve the problem, Effle said.

"If you have more active interest groups telling Student Government 'We want this and this and this from you' it would make campaigning more of a sorting through the issues type of thing and deciding how best to reach your constituents," Effle said.

She said she tries to encourage feedback from students by talking to them before classes about issues.



Jenny Foster

"If a lot of people in Student Government start doing that, I hope eventually we will get to the point where students are coming to us," Effle said. "If we get one or two people coming in to talk to us about an issue, we're going to act on it if we can. That's what keeps us going."

The structure of the campus and the life on campus doesn't permit that right now, Effle said. "Particularly with a commuter campus it's difficult to make campus life a priority," she said.

Effle said she finds it ironic that the reason students attend college is to get the best education possible. "But, at the same time, our day to day concerns, like our jobs, families and relationships, allow us added pressure on the education process," she said.

She considers herself a struggling student like everyone else.

"I'm just working week to week, trying to get my bills paid and keep my grades up while making it to work," Effle said.

After she graduates in December or May of 1990, the political science/speech communication major plans to attend law school out-of-state.

"That's been a dream of mine since junior high," Effle said. "I'd like to go to law school somewhere that I've never been just to have that experience of living and studying somewhere and meeting different people and bringing that added experience, plus the knowledge of law school, back to Nebraska or the Midwest."

She defines success as being able to get up every morning and "look at yourself in the mirror and say, 'You're doing good for somebody in some way, and to not have to ignore parts of yourself because you don't like them as well.'"

"It sounds like a morality play but it's not," Effle said. "It's just if you can't be comfortable with yourself, you're never going to succeed."

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WINGS

Play will tell story of stroke victims

By ERIC STOAKES
Feature Editor

The first scene of "Wings" begins on stage left as Emily Stilson, who was an aviator and wing walker in her youth, suffers a major stroke. Symbolized by the location on stage, the left side of Stilson's brain receives the damage.

The next 18 minutes of the play dramatize her transition from reality into unreality through verbal and visual images and also music.

"It's like being put into another world," director Tammi Ziola said. "Emily thinks sometimes that she has been flying in her plane and it has crashed and she has been captured and people are doing experiments on her mind."

The subsequent brain damage the aviator receives causes a language impairment called aphasia, in which her communication skills are disturbed.

"Sometimes she will try to say things to people and it won't come out right or it won't come out at all, or sometimes people say things to her and it won't come in right to her," Ziola said.

The rest of the play details Stilson's path to come to terms with her ailment.

"Gradually, more and more real elements start to come in, but it's never quite the same reality she experienced be-

fore the stroke," Ziola said.

The director double cast the role of Stilson between two actresses. Carrie Nath plays the older Stilson, while Rebecca Ratzlaff plays the younger role. Ziola based the division on the printing in the script.

"I gave the older Mrs. Stilson everything in straight print, which represents what the audience will perceive as reality, and the younger the italicized print, which represents the kind of unreality," Ziola said.

In some scenes, the younger Stilson acts as an observer, while at other moments, the two sides of the character confront each other.

"Playing the character is such a challenge," Nath said. "If it happened to me, I would just be terrified and I think it's her strength and determination that is so unique. She's afraid, but doesn't let that overcome her."

Nath and Ziola spoke with actual stroke patients and therapists at Immanuel Hospital to research the role.

Emily Stilson (Carrie Nath), right, a stroke victim suffering from aphasia, is questioned by her doctor (Tim Lee), left, who attempts to

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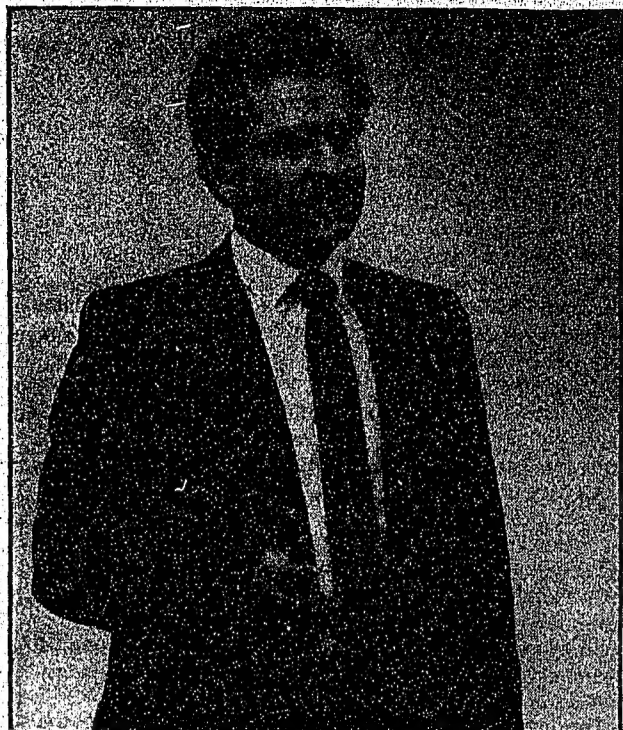
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Honor society to sponsor campus mayoral candidate forum



Majorek

— Dave Weaver

By AMY BUCKINGHAM
Associate editor

UNO students will have the opportunity tomorrow to ask the seven mayoral candidates how they feel about the issues.

The Nebraska chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, an international honors society in the social sciences, is sponsoring the forum at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

"Fifteen minutes before the forum is to begin, the moderator, Kristina Thorton, will draw names to choose the order in which the candidates will speak," said John Majorek, president of Pi Gamma Mu. "Each candidate has five minutes to speak and then five to seven minutes to field questions from the audience."

The moderator will judge the appropriateness of the questions and keep track of time, Majorek said.

"We chose this type of forum (the audience asking the questions) because we felt that issues that concern one individual might not concern others," he said.

According to Majorek, no candidates declined the group's invitation.

"They were all very receptive," he said. "The candidates probably saw this as an opportunity to get media and community attention."

The candidates planning to attend are Mike Boyle, Walt Calinger, Jim Cleary, Fred Conley, Steve McCollister, P.J. Morgan and Mort Sullivan.

This is not the first political forum Pi Gamma Mu has sponsored. The group sponsored its first political forum in 1986, when it brought Kay Orr and Helen Boosalls to campus. Last spring, congressional candidates visited UNO at the group's invitation.

Majorek said forums sponsored by Pi Gamma Mu in the past have attracted both a large audience and media attention, including television, newsprint and radio.

"We hope students do show up and feel free to ask the candidates any questions that they have."

— Majorek

"We expect 200 to 400 people in the ballroom on Wednesday night," he said. "We hope students do show up and feel free to ask the candidates any questions that they have."

"We want them to learn more about the choices they have and where the candidates stand on the issues."

"We, as an organization, hope that the students and faculty at UNO, and the surrounding community, after attending the forum, will step into the polling booth on election day with a more enlightened decision," he said.

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have that kind of loss," he said.

Morgan outlined his plan for combating the drug, crime and gang problems in Omaha. "There aren't any quick fixes," he said, "but we need to make certain that we're putting as many of our resources as we can behind the U.S. Attorney to get these people on federal conspiracy charges."

He added that "we need a stronger police presence at community activities. We need to get the police back into the classroom to educate the young people about the dangers."

He stressed the importance of reduc-

ing the demand side of the drug market. "That business is over \$150 billion a year," he said.

Morgan was asked if he would support using some of the park land south of the UNO campus for dormitories. "I was a state senator that represented this district in the '70s ... and I introduced the bill so that they could not take the park land to expand the university," he said.

"I think we need to do some things here at the university, but I think there are some other ways to do it, and Ak-Sar-Ben could be one of those ways."

"I also think we need to do something

more for the University," he said. "UNO does not have a doctoral program for teachers, so if they want to work on their doctorate, they have to commute to Lincoln and teach at the same time, which is impossible."

Morgan said that if he was elected, he would appear before the Board of Regents to stress the need for a UNO education doctoral program.

"We need a mayor that's going to lead the way with the regents and state legislators to let them know we want a doctorate here. Del Weber tells me that can be done almost overnight."

Cleary from page 1

vironmentally sound.

After his speech, Cleary entertained questions from the audience.

When asked what he would do, as mayor, to promote new industry and create new jobs, Cleary said, "A mayor can and should be the city's number one salesperson. There's a lot more work we can do."

According to Cleary, the city has to let companies know what Omaha has to offer. If elected mayor, Cleary plans to be Omaha's salesperson, with the aid of the Chamber of Commerce, which "is crucial to this effort," he said.

Cleary also commented on the possibility of a new convention center, saying it would also stimulate the economy. He did not specify whether or not the new center should be at Ak-Sar-Ben.

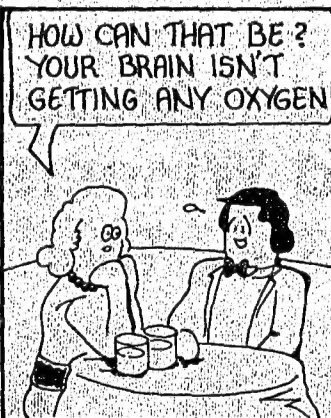
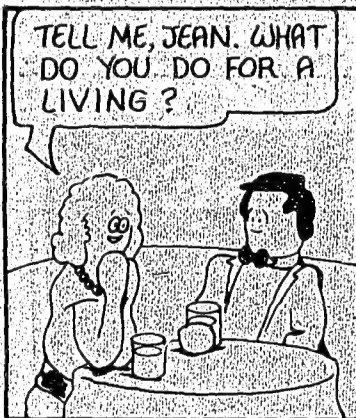
When asked about UNO's relationship with the community, Cleary commented that he was not running for regent, although he felt Omaha should have a close partnership with all area schools.

"What areas do we want to specialize in?" he asked. Cleary said research could have a huge impact on the city.

Cleary was asked again about the drug problem in Omaha and how he would solve it.

"There's no easy answer to it," Cleary replied.

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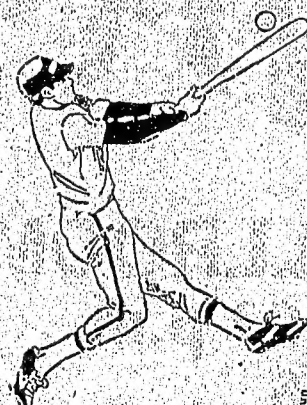
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Food, music and costumes Banquet provides cultural exchange

By STEVE CHASE
Staff Reporter

Students and local residents celebrated UNO's 17th Annual International Banquet last Sunday, surrounded by the sights and sounds of several countries.

The event, sponsored by International Student Services (ISS) through UNO's Student Government, featured food, music and costumes from a variety of countries, including Panama, Afghanistan and South Africa.

According to International Student Adviser Sharon Emery, this year's banquet turnout was typical, with 400 people attending.

"It's a sellout crowd," Emery said. "It's a sellout crowd every year. Everybody who ever comes to the banquet always says they have a good time."

She also gave high praise to the students who helped out — doing everything from singing native songs to assisting in ticket sales.

"The enthusiasm and the energy of the international students themselves makes it possible to do any of this," Emery said.

Emery stressed the significance of events like the banquet for the international student population.

"It's basically for the cultural exchange," she said. "The international students here at UNO provide the recipes so that people in attendance can sample different foods from a lot of different countries."

She added that dances performed in native costumes by the international students also enhance people's awareness of culture.

Several UNO international students attended the banquet, along with people from Creighton University and the local community. ISS, UNICEF and Friends of International Services (FIS) received awards.

Omaha Mayor Walt Callinger also attended the event, acknowledging the importance of having an international community.

"The United States is a country of immigrants, as Omaha is a city of immigrants," Callinger said.

"The work you do at this university is important," he said. "We are better because you are here."

The mayor also designated Feb. 22 to March 12 as "International Awareness in Omaha."

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the play, it changes course.

"It's structured so the audience feels like there is a beginning, middle and end," Larson said. Although it seems conventionally plotted, he said it becomes more ambiguous as it goes on.

"It took me a while to understand what we couldn't do was to narrow it down one path," Urbinati said.

He tried to find a wide range of actors to convey the differences in the characters and to make the play more realistic.

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Sports

Mavericks top conference with highest team GPA

By REG CHAPMAN
Contributing Writer

Maverick football players ended the season towards the bottom of the North Central Conference, but led the conference in the classroom.

UNO topped the conference with the highest team cumulative grade point average.

Forty-six players, more than half the team, made the Mav's academic honor roll. To be on the honor roll, a student-athlete must maintain a 2.5 GPA or better (on a 4.0 scale) through the fall semester.

"When you figure over a quarter of our players have a 3.0 GPA or better, combining athletics with a full-time academic load, and the fact that many of our student-athletes work part-time, that's outstanding," UNO Coach Sandy Buda said.

"I don't think there are too many teams that can match that," he added.

Three Mavericks earned academic All-Conference honors for the 1988 season. Todd Sadler and Mike Zeplin contributed on the field as well as in the classroom. Sadler, a two-year starter, is a senior majoring in business finance with a 3.61 GPA.

Zeplin, a 6-foot-2 senior from Lincoln, gained second-team All-NCC notice by earn-

ing a 3.32 GPA as a secondary education major.

The third Mav to earn All-Academic team honors is Todd Culp, a 6-foot-2 junior from Des Moines, Iowa. Culp has a 3.6 GPA in civil engineering. He joins Sadler and Zeplin on the NCC's All-Academic first team.

"This year's league was a balanced one. Seven of the 10 conference teams had winning records," Buda said. "The guys worked hard and deserve a lot of recognition for their accomplishments on the field and in the classroom."

Three other Mavericks made the NCC's honorable mention team. These student-athletes combined for an average GPA of 3.07.

Lady Mav volleyball player Ruth Evans also received NCC All-Academic honors. Evans, a 5-foot-11 senior middle blocker from Omaha, earned a 3.0 GPA in therapeutic recreation. Evans was also selected to the NCAA Division II first team for the third straight year for her achievements on the court.

Freshman Pam Largen from Creighton, Neb., earned a 3.69 GPA in her first semester at UNO. The 5-foot-7 setter plans to major in mathematics or computer science and was accepted into the UNO Honors Program.

Inductees honored

— Linda Shepard

Several honors were awarded at UNO's Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet, March 10. From left to right, Mike Patterson (receiving for Lloyd Patterson), Barb Hart Baumert and Larry Johnson were inducted into the 38-member Hall of Fame.

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Omaha has specialized gyms

Elite and Powerhouse cater to freeweight training

By JANETTE THOMAS RIDDER
Senior Reporter

Even though the UNO HPER Building has dumbbells in the student weightroom, freeweights are a luxury enjoyed by only Maverick athletes.

According to Michael Stewart, director of the School current research has indicated freeweight training is superior to machines. However, Stewart said some advantages may exist.

"The claims suggest freeweights allow the user to go through a fuller range of motion because machines aren't restricting starting and stopping points," Stewart said. "Along with that, more unique exercises may be performed without a machine's restrictions, thus decreasing boredom with training and prolonging consistency."

Stewart also said freeweights may involve other muscles during an exercise, because they force the user to balance and control the weight. For example, bench pressing primarily works the pectoralis major muscles; however, triceps and biceps are also used in the lift.

"We offer personal training without the frills that lifters don't want — and don't want to pay for."

—Sue Beverland



— Dave Weaver

The HPER Building offers dumbbells in its weight room for students. Omaha has two gyms which specialize in freeweight training for those interested in off-campus lifting facilities.

Omaha offers two gyms which specialize in the advantages of freeweights over machines.

Brian and Sue Beverland, owners and operators of Omaha's Elite Power Gym at 72nd and Blondo, said they opened six months ago. Brian, the Nebraska Powerlifting Chairman, said he saw a need for a serious gym.

"Brian's been lifting for 11-and-a-half years," Sue Beverland said.

The gym's hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Membership requires no initiation fee, no binding contracts to sign and potential clients are given their first workout free.

It offers four membership options: monthly for \$30, quarterly for \$75, semi-annually for \$100 and annually for \$180.

All dues are collected at the time the membership is initiated, except for the one-year membership, which may be

broken into four payments.

Elite consists of 1,800 square-feet of free-weights.

"We offer personal training without the frills that lifters don't want — and don't want to pay for," Sue said.

For those interested in bodybuilding, but not necessarily powerlifting, Omaha offers Todd Smith's Powerhouse.

Todd Smith's Powerhouse is located at 26th and Oak and is owned and operated by Smith.

"There are people who will drive 50 miles here because they know this is the best place to workout," Smith said.

The gym's hours are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Unlike many gyms that close on holidays, Todd's holiday hours are 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Membership at the 8,000-square-foot facility requires no initiation fee. Three packages are available: \$40 for a month, \$95 for three months or \$260 for one year.

Like Elite, all fees are collected at the time the membership is initiated, except for the one-year membership, which may be broken into two payments.

"On black and white, our gym doesn't stand up well. Our prices aren't great. Our location isn't great. But the quality of our equipment is top-notch," Smith said.

Smith said he wants his members to be happy. When people approach him about joining and he knows Todd's isn't what they want or need, he's not afraid to send them some place else.

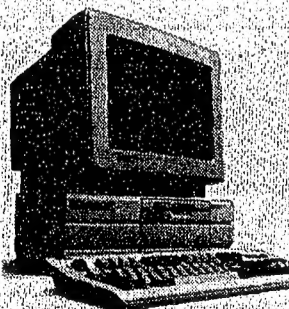
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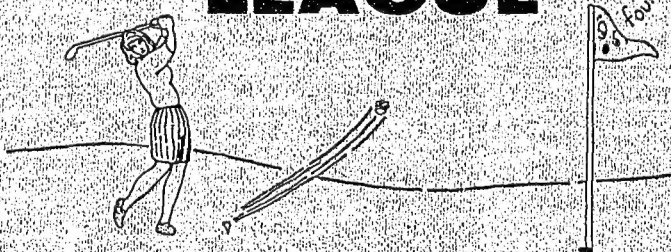
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UNO looks to future after roller coaster season

By TONY FLOTT
Staff Reporter

A last-second loss to South Dakota suffered by the Maverick basketball team provided a symbolic ending for a roller coaster season.

The game looked like a sure victory for UNO, which led by as many as 14 points with only 6:39 remaining. However, the Mavs faltered in the final five minutes and allowed the Coyotes to escape with an 88-84 victory.

The loss was characteristic of UNO this year. The team showed potential at times, but came up short of their expectations.

UNO flashed its potential early in the season by capturing the NCC Holiday Tournament title, and capped off a seven-game winning streak.

"We felt good about our team going into the tournament and coming out," UNO Coach Bob Hanson said. "However, we knew we had tough times ahead with five of our next seven games on the road."

The road stretch proved troublesome for the Mavs, who proceeded to lose seven straight games. Four losses came to teams that finished high in the NCC.

"We didn't play bad then," Hanson said. "After the tournament, though, we had everybody pointing at us and other teams keyed on our players."

UNO was able to snap its losing string with a 72-71 over-

time victory over North Dakota State and played up and down for the rest of the season. The team posted a 6-5 record in its last 11 games.

The Mavs finished with an overall record of 14-14 for the third straight year.

"That just shows you what budget cuts have done to us and what the injuries did to us," Hanson said. "We better get in gear next year."

The injuries Hanson referred to were sustained by guard Robert Cottrell (knee ligaments) and forward Dan Olson, who broke his ankle two-thirds through the season.

The Mavs also lost forward Milton Shobe. Shobe quit the team for personal reasons after attempting to return from several knee operations.

The loss of these experienced players hampered the Mavs, who already lacked veterans. Only two seniors, Tim Adamek and Bryan Mueller, appeared on the roster.

The situation forced Hanson to start three freshmen. Freshmen Mike Harner played most of the season, while Thad Mott and Phil Cartwright started later in the season. Other regulars were sophomore Thor Palamore and Adamek.

Hanson also changed the Mavs' style of play to minimize the effect of the team's youth.

"We had to run a half-court offense in order to eliminate turnovers because of the inexperienced type of team we had," Hanson said.

Harner, the team's point guard, ran the offense during all 28 games. The freshman finished the season with 170 assists, a record for a first-year player at UNO. He also averaged 35 minutes a game, the most playing time any player received this year.

"Mike did a remarkable job," Hanson said. "He was fourth in the NCC in assists and the minutes he played were remarkable."

Also leading the youthful charge was Palamore, who ended the season as the team's leading scorer with a 14.1 average. The sophomore also led the team in steals and was second in assists and minutes played.

Despite those valuable contributions and the support from UNO's defense, Hanson said the team's youth played a factor in the close games. The UNO defense finished first in the NCC for the fourth time in the eight years.



— Dave Weaver

Center Troy Deane (left) will return next season for the Mavericks.

The Mavs lost six games by six points or less. Hanson said the inexperience may have been a factor.

With the experience gained this year, however, UNO appears to have a strong nucleus to work with next year.

Cottrell and Olson are expected to return at full strength next year. Cartwright, Mott and Harner will be sophomores with starting experience.

They will be joined by center Troy Deane and forward Earnest Farley, both of whom will be juniors with a lot of playing experience.



— Dave Weaver

Senior Tim Adamek, No. 54, completed his eligibility this season.

What's happening . . . this week

UNO's softball team opened the 1989 season Sunday and Monday in the University of South Dakota Tournament.

Results of the tournament will be in Friday's issue of The Gateway.

Baseball weathered out

The baseball team, however, couldn't get the season started.

The Mavs were scheduled to play Peru State March 7, but weather conditions forced the game to be rescheduled for March 16.

Also on schedule for UNO's baseball team was Doane College March 11 and Tarkio College March 12. Both doubleheaders had to be rescheduled because of poor playing conditions.

If weather permits, the Mavs will host UNL Wednesday at College World Series Park at 2 p.m. On Saturday, UNO will play at Wayne State College at 1:30 p.m.

Schnepel at Division I meet

Thursday, the NCAA National Wrestling meet begins in Oklahoma City. Two UNO wrestlers, Clark Schnepel and Joe Wypiszewski, will participate.

Schnepel qualified for the meet after finishing runnerup in the NCAA Division II meet, where UNO had a surprise third-place finish. Wypiszewski qualified for the Division I meet as a wild card, taking a 36-8 record.

UNO Coach Mike Denney said Schnepel has a good chance to finish in the top eight. Schnepel has previously beaten this year's Big Eight heavyweight champ, UNL's Sonny Manley.

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